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November 19 Commissioner Meeting Rollup

LEONARDTOWN, MD – The Commissioners of St. Mary's County (CSMC) began their [business meeting](#) with an invocation and the pledge, followed by approval of the consent agenda.

The CSMC then presented proclamations in recognition of [World Children's Day](#), [The Great American Smokeout](#), [Giving Tuesday](#), and [National Diabetes Awareness Month](#). The Commissioners then [recognized](#) the graduates of the 2024 Citizens Academy program.

The Commissioners then received a [Board of Health briefing](#) from Dr. Meena Brewster, St. Mary's County Health Officer.

The CSMC also received a [briefing](#) from the St. Mary's County Chamber of Commerce detailing the Chamber's activities and accomplishments in 2024 and their schedule of events for 2025.

During County Administrator Time, the Commissioners took the following action:

- [Reviewed](#) future CSMC meeting agendas.
- [Approved](#) the FY2024 Sub-Recipient Agreement for the State Homeland Security Grant.
- [Approved](#) the FY2024/2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant.
- [Approved](#) the use of ARPA grant funds for the Department of Emergency Services radio microwave replacement.
- [Declined](#) the request to forward the recommendations of the 2024 St. Mary's County Compensation Review Commission to the St. Mary's County Delegation.
- [Deferred decision](#) on the request to forward the legislative proposal to the St. Mary's County Delegation authorizing issuance of \$94 million in public facilities bonds for the FY 2026 and FY 2027 budgets.
- [Approved](#) the request to forward the legislative proposal to the St. Mary's County Delegation allowing the Alcohol Beverage Board to issue multiple licenses as appropriate.
- [Deferred decision](#) on the request to forward the legislative proposal to the St. Mary's County Delegation mandating prompt repayment by the State of any motor fuel taxes paid by school bus drivers operating a school bus for the Board of Education.
- [Approved](#) the request to forward the legislative proposal to the St. Mary's County Delegation amending the term of service for members of the Library Board of Trustees.
- [Approved](#) the resolution recognizing December 24, 2024, and December 26, 2024, as additional paid holidays for employees in calendar year 2024.

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The Commissioners wrapped their business meeting with [Commissioner Time](#).

The CSMC reconvened in the afternoon for their first [Budget Work Session](#) of FY 2026. Community members are encouraged to visit <https://bit.ly/SMCG-FY26-Budget> to view the county budget timeline and meeting schedule, watch meeting videos, and more!

There will be no CSMC meeting on Tuesday, November 26, 2024. The Commissioners and Commanding Officer of Naval Air Station Patuxent River (NAS PAX) will hold a **joint meeting on Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at 9 a.m.** in the Frank Knox Building, located just outside of NAS PAX Gate 2 at 21866 Cedar Point Road, Patuxent River. **The CSMC will reconvene that day for their regular business meetings at 11 a.m.** in the CSMC Meeting Room (1st floor, Chesapeake Building, 41770 Baldrige Street in Leonardtown). CSMC decisions and related documents are available on the SMCG website in BoardDocs. Meetings are open to the public and can be viewed live on TV Channel 95 or on-demand via www.YouTube.com/@StMarysCoGov.

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